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SUBJECT: NSF, US-JAPAN SCIENCE INFORMATION EXCHANGE PROGRAM

DEPT PASS TO NSF/OIP FOR J.E. O'CONNELL FROM CZIESLA, NSF/TOKYO.

RE STA-NSF MEETING ON SCIENCE INFORMATION EXCHANGES PLANNED FOR NOV. 10-12 IN WASHDC, STA INFORMED US THAT DR. TOJIRO OKA, PRESIDENT OF JICST AND TWO STA OFFICIAL YET TO BE IDENTIFIED WILL ATTEND SUBJECT MTG. STA SUGGESTS FIRST TWO DAYS BE USED FOR SITE VISITS BY JAPANESE MEMBERS TO NSF, NTIS, NRC, SSIE AND NBS, WITH THE THIRD DAY DEVOTED TO WRAP-UP MEETING WITH NSF OFFICIALS FOR CATEGORY 3 PROGRAM. DR. OKA WISHES TO MEET TOP OFFICIALS OF THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS TO BE VISITED AS HE HOPES TO DEVELOP COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH THEM IN FUTURE. THE STA MEMBERS ALSO EXPECT TO RECEIVE BRIEFINGS WITH TOURS TO OBSERVE OPERATIONS AT EACH ORGANIZATION VISITED. DR. OKA, STA MEMBERS AND MIYAHARA WILL PARTICIPATE IN ALL SITE VISITS TOGETHER. RE POSSIBLE AGENDA TOPICS FOR MTG WITH NSF, STA SUGGESTS DISCUSSIONS TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR (1) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION SPECIALISTS BETWEEN JICST AND APPROPRIATE U.S. INFORMATION CENTERS.

(2) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON ON-GOING RESEARCH THEMES,  
(3) EXCHANGE OF CURRENT BIBLIOGRAPHIES PRODUCED BY JICST WITH SIMILAR PUBLICATIONS OF THE U.S., (4) EXCHANGE OF JOURNALS OF VARIUS ACADEMIC SOCIETIES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES. STA UNCLASSIFIED

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WILL ALSO PREPARE A BRIEF ACCOUNT ON RECENT DEVELOPMENT OF

JAPANESE NIST PROGRAM FOR INFO OF US MEMBERS. SINCE DR. OKA  
NOT INFORMATON SPECIALIST AT WORKING LEVEL, STA SUGGESTS  
HOLDING ANOTHER MTG OF EXPERTS FROM JICST AND COUNTERPART US  
ORGANIZATIONS PROBLELY AFTER APRIL 1976 TO DISCUSS DETAILS  
FOR IMPELEMENTATION OF ANY EXCHANGE PROGRAMS WHICH MAY BE FOUND  
DESIRABLE AND FEASIBLE AS RESULT OF NOV. MTG. STA ASKS NSF/W  
TO WORK OUT SITE VISIT SCHEDULE AND MTG AGENDA BASED ON ABOVE  
INFO. PLEASE CABLE SUCH SCHEDULE AND AGENDA WITH NAMES OF  
AMERICAN PARTICIPATNTS ASAP. STA OFFICIALS WILL ALSO ATTEND BLUE  
RIBBON PANEL AND UJNR MTGS IN WASHDC PRIOR TO SUBJECT MTG.  
DR. OKA ALSO PLANS TO ATTEND A MEDLARS MTG AND VISIT CAS AS  
ARRANGED SEPARATELY BY JICST. NSF/TOKYO SUGGESTS YOU ARRANGE  
FOR DR. OKA TO PAY COURTESY CALL ON ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OTHER  
APPROPRIATE NSF OFFICIAL DURING HIS STAY IN WASHDC. YOUR REACTIONS  
BY CABLE REQUESTED.

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